

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 78

By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Steven Stull of Johnson City upon being named a Distinguished Finalist for the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards.

WHEREAS, it is fitting for the members of this General Assembly to pause in their deliberations to salute those young citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as emerging community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Steven Stull, an esteemed resident of Johnson City and a freshman at Science Hill High School, has been recognized as one of Tennessee's top student volunteers in the Prudential Sprit of Community Award's Tenth Annual Nationwide Program, which recognizes young people for outstanding community service; and

WHEREAS, for his exemplary public service, Steven was recognized as a Distinguished Finalist and one of this State's most committed youth volunteers in the 2005 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals to honor young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, Steven Stull won this recognition for soliciting donations of money, books, and materials to build a lending library for disadvantaged children served by the Seed To Harvest Outreach program in High Point, North Carolina. Steven asked individuals and local businesses for donations, enlisted the help of a church mission group and two volunteer carpenters, purchased building materials, organized and supervised the construction of shelves, and then set up the new library; and

WHEREAS, as a Distinguished Finalist, Mr. Stull will receive an engraved bronze medallion at a local ceremony; and

WHEREAS, Steven Stull epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and takes his place among the many noble citizens who have earned this State the nickname of "The Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of young people like Steven Stull who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Steven Stull on being recognized as a Distinguished Finalist in the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program, recognize his outstanding record of volunteerism, leadership, and community spirit, and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success and much happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.